

USSN 10/780,163 filed 02/17/2004 (DP-310331)
Amendment dated: 02-AUG-2006
Response to Office Action of 07/24/2006

REMARKS

Claims 1 – 3, 5 and 6 are allowed.

The Applicants appreciate the Examiner's attention and consideration.

The Examiner has indicated that the application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 7-20 to an invention non-elected with traverse in the reply filed 02 May 2006, and that prosecution of this case is closed except for consideration of the above matter.

Claims 4, and 7-20 have been canceled.

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Conclusion

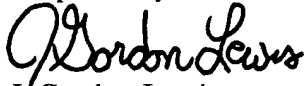
Applicants believe, in view of the amendments and remarks herein, that all (status) objections raised by the Examiner have been addressed and complied with, and that all still pending claims are allowed.

The Applicants therefore request that the case be passed to issue in due course.

If it would further prosecution of the application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication and/or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No.: 50-0831.

Respectfully submitted,



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